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Applicants : Mihail N. Karpusas, Juswinder Singh and
David W. Thomas
Application No. : 09/180,209
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For : CRYSTALS OF FRAGMENTS OF CD40 LIGAND AND
THEIR USE

New York, New York
March 2, 2004

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time for responding to the October 2, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the deadline to file a response is March 2, 2004. A check in the amount of \$420.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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